

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) ~~The submersible pumping system of claim 1,A~~  
submersible pumping system for pumping wellbore fluid, comprising:

a motor assembly;

a pump assembly connected to the motor assembly; and

a shroud assembly attached to the pump assembly, the shroud assembly,

comprising:

a shroud having a connection end and an intake end, wherein

the shroud at least partially encloses the motor assembly;

a sealing ring that prevents the wellbore fluid from entering the

shroud at the connection end, wherein the sealing ring

comprises a sealing aperture whereby a cable can extend

through the sealing aperture to the motor assembly; and

a retaining ring that holds the sealing ring in place.

4. (Currently Amended) The submersible pumping system of claim-1, 3,  
wherein the sealing ring is formed of an elastomer material.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The shroud assembly of claim 9,A shroud assembly for use with a pump assembly and a motor assembly for use in pumping wellbore fluid, the shroud assembly comprising:  
a shroud having a connection end and an intake end, wherein the shroud at least partially encloses the motor assembly;  
a sealing ring that prevents the wellbore fluid from entering the shroud at the connection end, wherein the sealing ring comprises a sealing aperture whereby a cable can extend through the sealing aperture to the motor assembly; and  
a retaining ring that holds the sealing ring in place.

12. (Currently Amended) The shroud assembly of claim-9, 11, wherein the sealing ring is formed of an elastomer material.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) ~~The downhole pumping system of claim 18, further comprising:~~ A downhole pumping system comprising:

a pump intake;

a shroud having a connection end and an intake end, wherein the connection end of the shroud is connected to the outer wall of the pump intake;

a pump connector plate connected to the top of the pump intake; and

a sealing ring disposed between the pump intake, the shroud and the pump connector plate; and

a retaining ring secured to the pump connector plate that captures the sealing ring in its position between the pump intake, the shroud and the pump connector plate.